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**Stanislav M. Snaidr et al.**

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For: Cigarette Sidestream Smoke And Free-Burn Rate Control Device

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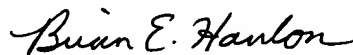
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Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider these references in connection with the search of the prior art required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.104.

It is believed that no fee is required to ensure consideration of the cited references by the Examiner. However, if a fee is deemed necessary, the Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

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